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Dear Mr. Hivner,

I have reviewed the proposed amendment to Rule 9 adding the provision of confidentiality to advisory opinions obtained by attorneys. In my personal and professional opinion the amendment is a good one to be made. As the Board of Professional Responsibility has suggested, the failure to add confidentiality to those communications chills the right of the attorney to utilize that assistance. The proposal is good and should be approved.

Thank you.

Yours truly,



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